<u>REMARKS</u>

A request for continued examination is submitted herewith.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

Claim 1 has been amended to further clarify certain implementations of the present invention which include a method in which a wireless device is used to configure a printing device for use on a network.

Claims 2, 10-12, and 15-20 have been canceled without prejudice to expedite allowance of the remaining claims.

Claims 1 and 5-9 are pending.

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Claims 1 and 5-9 were previously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,529,522 issued to Ito et al. (hereinafter, "Ito") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,602,854 issued to Luse et al. (hereinafter, "Luse").

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the stated rejections and reserves the right to resubmit claims of similar scope to those canceled herein in related continuing patent applications.

Independent Claim 1 has been amended to expedite prosecution and is clearly patentable over the cited art.

Neither *Ito* nor *Luse*, alone or combined, disclose a method that includes maintaining printing device control information in a wireless communication device, the printing device control information including network configuration information associated with a printing device and a network that is operatively coupled to the printing device, wherein the network configuration information includes a unique network device address of the printing device for use in the network, selectively transmitting the printing

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device control information to the printing device over a wireless communication interface, and wherein the wireless communication interface is not part of the network, receiving the printing device control information using the printing device, and configuring the printing device to operate on the network using the network configuration information within the received printing device control information.

The pending claims are each clearly patentable over the cited art and as such are in condition for prompt allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the subject application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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